

# CRIMINOLOGY & CRIMINAL JUSTICE, BS

## Bachelor of Science in Criminology & Criminal Justice (380001BS)

More on the Criminology & Criminal Justice major (<https://www.uakron.edu/ccj/criminology-and-criminal-justice/>)

The criminology and criminal justice program prepares students for careers in policing, courts, corrections, and criminology at any level of government or in the private sector. This program is also appropriate for students who desire to pursue graduate or law school. Students will take a broad core of criminal justice courses, and then select courses from concentrations in policing, courts, corrections, or criminology. Students have a number of electives to tailor their degrees to particular career paths of interest.

The following information has official approval of **The Department of Criminal Justice Studies** and **The Buchtel College of Arts & Sciences**, but is intended only as a supplemental guide. Official degree requirements are established at the time of transfer and admission to the degree-granting college. Students should refer to the Degree Progress Report (Stellic) which is definitive for graduation requirements. *Completion of this degree within the identified time frame below is contingent upon many factors, including but not limited to: class availability, total number of required credits, work schedule, finances, family, course drops/withdrawals, successfully passing courses, prerequisites, among others.* The transfer process is completed through an appointment with your academic advisor.

## Requirements Summary

Code	Title	Hours
	General Education Requirements ( <a href="https://bulletin.uakron.edu/undergraduate/general-education/">https://bulletin.uakron.edu/undergraduate/general-education/</a> )	36
	Core Requirement	18
	Foundation Requirements	18-27
	Foreign Culture	6
	Concentration Requirement	18
	Additional Credits for Graduation *	24-15
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>120</b>

\* Bachelor's degrees require a minimum of 120 credit hours for graduation.

## Recommended General Education Courses

Code	Title	Hours
Students pursuing a bachelor's degree must complete the following General Education coursework. Diversity courses may also fulfill major or Breadth of Knowledge requirements. Integrated and Applied Learning courses may also fulfill requirements in the major.		
Students are not required to enroll in the specific courses listed below. However, to facilitate successful degree completion, the academic department strongly encourages completion of the following recommendations.		

<b>Academic Foundations</b>	<b>12</b>
<i>Mathematics, Statistics and Logic: 3 credit hours</i>	
<i>Speaking: 3 credit hours</i>	
<i>Writing: 6 credit hours</i>	
<b>Breadth of Knowledge</b>	<b>22</b>
<i>Arts/Humanities: 9 credit hours</i>	
<i>Natural Sciences: 7 credit hours</i>	
<i>Social Sciences: 6 credit hours</i>	
POLIT 100	Government & Politics in the United States
SOCIO 100	Introduction to Sociology
<b>Diversity</b>	
Domestic Diversity	
SOCIO 100	Introduction to Sociology
Global Diversity	
<b>Integrated and Applied Learning</b>	<b>2</b>
<i>Select one class from one of the following subcategories:</i>	
Complex Issues Facing Society	
SOCIO 433	Sociology of Deviant Behavior
SOCIO 320	Social Inequalities
Capstone	
<i>Review the General Education Requirements page for detailed course listings.</i>	
<b>Total Hours</b>	<b>36</b>

## College of Arts & Sciences Requirement

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Students must also complete a minimum of 40 credits (excluding workshops) consisting of either:</b>		
Upper-level (300/400) courses both in and outside of the student's major;		
or other courses outside the major department approved by the student's major department chair (permission should be obtained prior to enrollment); these may not include workshops		

## Core Requirement

Code	Title	Hours
POLIT 100	Government & Politics in the United States	3
CRJU 100	Introduction to Criminal Justice	3
CRJU 202	Principles of Criminal Law	3
CRJU 203	Corrections	3
CRJU 205	Police Studies	3
SOCIO 100	Introduction to Sociology	3
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>18</b>

## Foundation Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Part I</b>		
POLIT 301	Introduction to Political Research	3
or SOCIO 301	Social Research Design	
<b>Part II</b>		
POLIT 361	Politics of the Criminal Justice System	3
POLIT 395	Internship in Government & Politics <sup>1</sup>	3

or POLIT 497	Senior Honors Project in Political Science	
or SOCIO 495	Field Internship	
or SOCIO 496	Senior Honors Project	
or CRJU 495	Professional Pathways in Criminal Justice	
or CRJU 498	Honors Research in Criminal Justice	
SOCIO 320	Social Inequalities	3
SOCIO 330	Criminology	3
<b>Part III</b>		
POLIT 401	Advanced Topics in Research Methods	3
or POLIT 480	Policy Problems in Political Science	
or SOCIO 302	Data Analysis	
or SOCIO 401	Applied Research Methods	
or CRJU 401	Legal Research and Writing	
or GEOG 405	Geographic Information Systems	
or PSYC 410	Psychological Tests & Measurements	
or STAT 360	Statistical Investigations	
or STAT 462	Applied Regression and ANOVA	
or STAT 465	Design of Sample Surveys	
or STAT 466	Applied Nonparametric Statistical Methods	
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>18</b>

<sup>1</sup> Minimum internship or research requirement is three credit hours.

## Foreign Culture

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Foreign Culture</b> <sup>1</sup>		<b>6</b>
Select at least six credits		
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>6</b>

<sup>1</sup> At least six credits of coursework which will introduce the student to a foreign culture. Such courses shall be selected from the department approved list.

## Concentration Requirement

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Select one of the following concentration areas:</b>		
<b>Policing Concentration</b>		<b>18</b>
CRJU 305	Policing Administration and Management	3
CRJU 307	Foundations of Crime Analysis	3
CRJU 405	Policing Theory and Strategy	3
	<i>Complete three courses from the program elective list. The electives requirement may be filled by prior learning assessment or police academy credit (EMHS 201 - 205)</i>	9
<b>Courts and Law Concentration</b>		
POLIT 335	Law & Society	3
or SOCIO 441	Sociology of Law	
POLIT 360	The Judicial Process	3
or CRJU 404	Criminal Procedure	
CRJU 302	Theory of Criminal Law	3
or CRJU 414	Evidence Law	
	<i>Complete three courses from the program elective list</i>	9

<b>Corrections Concentration</b>		
SOCIO 431	Theories and Practices of Correctional Systems	3
or POLIT 450	Administering Prisons, Probation, and Parole	
SOCIO 350	Drugs in Society	3
SOCIO 430	Juvenile Delinquency	3
	<i>Complete three courses from the program elective list</i>	9
<b>Criminology Concentration</b>		
SOCIO 433	Sociology of Deviant Behavior	3
SOCIO 441	Sociology of Law	3
or POLIT 335	Law & Society	
	<i>Complete four courses from the program elective list</i>	12

## Program Elective List

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Electives in Criminal Justice Studies</b>		
CRJU 302	Theory of Criminal Law	3
CRJU 305	Policing Administration and Management	3
CRJU 307	Foundations of Crime Analysis	3
CRJU 325	Information Privacy	3
CRJU 386	Courtroom Proceedings and Testimony	3
CRJU 398	Police Accountability and Risk Management	3
CRJU 401	Legal Research and Writing	3
CRJU 404	Criminal Procedure	3
CRJU 405	Policing Theory and Strategy	3
CRJU 407	Advanced Crime Analysis	3
CRJU 414	Evidence Law	3
CRJU 457	Crime Analysis Applications	3
CRJU 465	Crisis & Trauma: Assessments & Interventions	3
CRJU 480	Special Topics in Criminal Justice	1-3
CRJU 495	Professional Pathways in Criminal Justice	3-12
CRJU 497	Independent Study and Research	1-3
CRJU 498	Honors Research in Criminal Justice	1-3
<b>Electives in Political Science</b>		
POLIT 334	Law, Mediation, and Violence	3
POLIT 335	Law & Society	3
POLIT 337	Terrorism: Perpetrators, Politics and Response	3
POLIT 339	Terrorism and the Constitution	3
POLIT 360	The Judicial Process	3
POLIT 363	Crime, Punishment, Politics: A Comparative Perspective	3
POLIT 370	Public Administration: Concepts & Practices	3
POLIT 395	Internship in Government & Politics	3
POLIT 400	Political Extremism & Violence	3
POLIT 401	Advanced Topics in Research Methods	3-6
POLIT 403	Media, Crime and Public Opinion	3
POLIT 406	Comparative Constitutional Law	3
POLIT 418	Weapons of Mass Destruction	3
POLIT 419	Homeland Security Policy and Process	3
POLIT 443	Political Scandals & Corruption	3
POLIT 446	National Security Intelligence	3
POLIT 447	Counterterrorism	3
POLIT 448	Intelligence Analysis	3

POLIT 450	Administering Prisons, Probation, and Parole	3
POLIT 461	The Supreme Court & Constitutional Law	3
POLIT 462	The Supreme Court & Civil Liberties	3
POLIT 481	The Challenges of Police Work	3
POLIT 482	Criminal Justice Topic: Current Issues	3
POLIT 483	Constitutional Problems in Criminal Justice	3

**Electives in Sociology**

SOCIO 310	Social Problems	3
SOCIO 324	Social Movements	3
SOCIO 350	Drugs in Society	3
SOCIO 360	Social Effects of Crime in the Media	3
SOCIO 365	Special Topics in Sociology	1-3
SOCIO 401	Applied Research Methods	3-6
SOCIO 415	Women in Prison	3
SOCIO 416	Women and Crime	3
SOCIO 421	Race & Ethnic Relations	3
SOCIO 428	Victim in Society	3
SOCIO 430	Juvenile Delinquency	3
SOCIO 431	Theories and Practices of Correctional Systems	3
SOCIO 433	Sociology of Deviant Behavior	3
SOCIO 441	Sociology of Law	3
SOCIO 450	Sociology of Mental Illness	3
SOCIO 455	Family Violence	3
SOCIO 495	Field Internship	2-4
SOCIO 496	Senior Honors Project	1-3

**Electives in Emergency Management and Homeland Security (Police Academy)**

EMHS 201	Police Academy: Administration & Legal	3
EMHS 202	Police Academy: Homeland Security	3
EMHS 203	Police Academy: Traffic	3
EMHS 204	Police Academy: Practicals I	3
EMHS 205	Police Academy: Practicals II	3

*Students interested in pursuing Criminal Justice degrees and certificates come to the University of Akron with a variety of career, training, and life experiences. There are several methods to evaluate prior learning experiences for college credit including credit by exam, prior learning portfolios, and alternative credit for military and professional training. Please contact the Department of Criminal Justice Studies if you are interested in a prior learning assessment.*

**Recommended Sequence**

THIS PLAN OF STUDY IS INTENDED FOR STUDENTS ADMITTED TO THIS PROGRAM FOR FALL 2017 OR LATER.

**1st Year**

Fall Semester		Hours
SOCIO 100	Introduction to Sociology <sup>3</sup>	3
CRJU 100	Introduction to Criminal Justice	3
	Speaking Requirement	3
	English Composition I <sup>1</sup>	3
	Mathematics, Statistics, and Logic Requirement <sup>2</sup>	4-3
<b>Hours</b>		<b>16-15</b>

**Spring Semester**

POLIT 100	Government & Politics in the United States <sup>3</sup>	3
CRJU 202	Principles of Criminal Law	3
	English Composition II <sup>1</sup>	3
	Natural Science w/ lab Requirement	4
	Arts/Humanities Requirement	3
<b>Hours</b>		<b>16</b>

**2nd Year****Fall Semester**

CRJU 203	Corrections	3
CRJU 205	Police Studies	3
SOCIO 301	Social Research Design	3
or POLIT 301	or Introduction to Political Research	
	Natural Science Requirement	3
	Arts/Humanities Requirement	3
<b>Hours</b>		<b>15</b>

**Spring Semester**

SOCIO 302	Data Analysis	3-6
or POLIT 480	or Policy Problems in Political Science	
or POLIT 401	or Advanced Topics in Research	
or CRJU 401	Methods	
	or Legal Research and Writing	
SOCIO 320	Social Inequalities	3
	Humanities/Arts Requirement	3
	Open Elective <sup>4</sup>	3
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<b>Hours</b>		<b>15-18</b>

**3rd Year****Fall Semester**

SOCIO 330	Criminology	3
	Concentration Requirement <sup>5</sup>	3
	Concentration Elective <sup>5</sup>	3
	Foreign Culture Requirement <sup>6</sup>	3
	Open Elective <sup>4</sup>	3
	Open Elective <sup>4</sup>	3
<b>Hours</b>		<b>18</b>

**Spring Semester**

POLIT 361	Politics of the Criminal Justice System	3
	Global Diversity Requirement	3
	Concentration Requirement <sup>5</sup>	3
	Concentration Elective <sup>5</sup>	3
	Open Elective <sup>4</sup>	3
<b>Hours</b>		<b>15</b>

**4th Year****Fall Semester**

	Concentration Requirement/Elective <sup>5</sup>	3
	Open Elective/Program Elective <sup>4</sup>	3
	Foreign Culture Requirement <sup>6</sup>	3
	Concentration Elective <sup>5</sup>	3
	Open Elective <sup>4</sup>	3
<b>Hours</b>		<b>15</b>

**Spring Semester**

POLIT 395 or POLIT 497 or SOCIO 495 or SOCIO 496 or CRJU 495 or CRJU 498	Internship in Government & Politics or Senior Honors Project in Political Science or Field Internship or Senior Honors Project or Professional Pathways in Criminal Justice or Honors Research in Criminal Justice	3
	Open Elective <sup>4</sup>	3
	Open Elective/Program Elective <sup>4</sup>	4-3
<b>Hours</b>		<b>10-9</b>
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>120-121</b>

<sup>1</sup> ENGL 111 English Composition I and ENGL 112 English Composition II are the recommended classes to meet the General Education Writing requirement. ENGL 222 Technical Report Writing can be used to fulfill the English Composition II requirement.

<sup>2</sup> While a variety of mathematics and statistics courses can be taken to meet this requirement, it is strongly recommended that students take a statistics course. Students planning on graduate school should take STAT 261 and 262, and a higher level STAT course for the Foundation Part III requirement.

<sup>3</sup> POLIT 100 Government & Politics in the United States and SOCIO 100 Introduction to Sociology are required and will fulfill the General Education Social Science requirement.

<sup>4</sup> Open electives can be any course not already required by your major and Upper Level (300/400) electives can be any course in or outside your major excluding workshops.

<sup>5</sup> For the Criminology and Criminal Justice Degree, students select a concentration area. Each of these requires 18 credits, with 2-3 required courses and 3-4 elective courses from the Program Electives List.

<sup>6</sup> There is no language requirement for the Criminology and Criminal Justice degree. However, students who complete the first year of a foreign language will fulfill the Foreign Cultures requirement. If students elect not to complete the first year of a foreign language, 6 credits from coursework designed to introduced the student to a foreign culture are required. An approved list of courses is available from the program advisors.